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In re Application of:

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RESPONSE A

To: Assistant Commissioner For Patents

Washington, DC. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2000. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration the pending rejection in light of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add new claims 2-4 as follows:

(New) A coupon inserter apparatus for coupons provided in a continuous web of separable coupons wherein a forwardmost coupon is separably connected to a successive coupon by a weakened separable portion disposed therebetween, said apparatus comprising: